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SUBJECT: PROTEST TO MFA ON ARMY JOURNAL ARTICLE

1. IF THE DEPARTMENT HAS NO OBJECTION, THE EMBASSY INTENDS IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS TO PROTEST TO MFA THE CONTENT OF AN ARTICLE WHICH APPEARED IN THE MAY ISSUE (NUMBER FIVE) OF KOMMUNIST VOORUZHENNYKH SIL. THE ARTICLE, ENTITLED "INTERVENTIONISM -- A POLICY OF SHAME AND FAILURE," IS EVEN MORE OFFENSIVE THAN THE USUAL SOVIET TREATMENT OF U.S. EFFORTS TO ASSIST THE SMALLER NATIONS OF THE WORLD AGAINST POLITICAL AND ARMED INSURGENCY. THE ARTICLE'S FOCUS IS ON VIETNAM, THOUGH IT ALSO DISCUSSES AT LENGTH THE OVERTHROW OF ALLENDE, WHICH IT TIES DIRECTLY TO THE WHITE HOUSE AND THE COMMITTEE OF 40.

2. WHILE THE ARTICLE CONTAINS MANY GROSS DISTORTIONS, OUR PROTEST WOULD FOCUS ON ITS CONTENTION THAT THE AMERICANS IN VIETNAM "SURPASSED HITLER'S CUTTHROATS IN THEIR ACTIVITIES." WE HOPE BY MEANS OF SUCH A NOTE TO DEMONSTRATE TO THE SOVITS THAT WE READ WHAT THEY SAY ABOUT US AND THAT THERE ARE OBJECTIVE LIMITS BEYOND WHICH EVEN THEIR DOMESTIC POLITICAL PROPAGANDA SHOULD NOT GO.

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